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E.O. 11652: N/A  
TAGS: PGOV, BG  
SUBJECT: ADVISOR FOR NEW MINISTRY

1. PRESIDENT ZIA JUNE 28 APPOINTED DR. MUZAFFAR AHMAD, PROFESSOR AT THE INSTITUTE OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION OF DACCA UNIVERSITY, AS A MEMBER OF THE COUNCIL OF ADVISORS IN CHARGE OF THE NEWLY-ORGANIZED MINISTRY OF TEXTILES.

2. AHMAD, BORN AUGUST 22, 1937, GRADUATED WITH HONORS IN ECONOMICS FROM DACCA UNIVERSITY IN 1955 AND SUBSEQUENTLY RECEIVED A PH.D IN ECONOMIC FROM THE UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO IN 1965. AFTER A FEW YEARS SPENT TEACHING AT THE UNIVERSITY OF DACCA AND THE UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO, AHMAD WORKED AS A CONSULTANT ECONOMIST AT THE PAKISTAN MISSION OF THE UNITED NATIONS IN 1964. FROM 1969 TO 1971, HE WORKED AS A SENIOR EXECUTIVE FOR PLANNING AT THE EAST PAKISTAN INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION,  
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AND FROM 1971 TO 1974, HE SERVED AS THE CHIEF OF THE INDUSTRIES DIVISION IN THE BANGLADESH PLANNING COMMISSION. AFTER 1974, HE BECAME PROFESSOR AT THE INSTITUTE OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION, ALTHOUGH HE REMAINED A CONSULTANT TO THE PLANNING COMMISSION. HE REPORTEDLY WAS A MEMBER OF THE ILO COMPREHENSIVE EMPLOYMENT STRATEGY MISSION TO THE SUDAN IN FEBRUARY, 1975.

AHMAD HAS SERVED AS EDITOR OF THE PAKISTAN ECONOMIC JOURNAL AND THE JOURNAL OF MANAGEMENT, BUSINESS AND ECONOMICS. RECENTLY, HE HAS DONE RESEARCH ON THE PERFORMANCE OF NATIONALIZED INDUSTRIES UNDER THE SPONSORSHIP OF THE INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT RESEARCH COUNCIL OF CANADA.

3. THE CREATION OF A SEPARATE AND NEW MINISTRY OF TEXTILES IS INTENDED TO RESOLVE SOME OF THE RECENT PROBLEMS ASSOCIATED WITH THE TENDERS FOR RAW COTTON IMPORTS. AS MUCH OF BANGLADESH'S RAW COTTON IMPORTS COME FROM THE UNITED STATES UNDER IDA GRANTS, AMERICAN FIRMS MAY BENEFIT IF THE CREATION OF THIS NEW MINISTRY LEADS TO IMPROVED TENDERING.  
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